CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for using tactile capabilities to communicate information from a first party using a first communication device to a second party using a second communication device, said method comprising:

establishing a telecommunication connection between said first communication device and said second communication device;

providing input means by which said first party is enabled to selectively enter selected input to said first communication device after said establishing of said telecommunication connection;

transmitting information signals representative of said selected input from said first communication device to said second communication device;

receiving said information signals by said second communication device; and

enabling said second communication device to commence a vibration of said second communication device in response to said received information signals.

2. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said vibration comprises one of a plurality of predetermined vibration

patterns, said predetermined vibration patterns being related to corresponding predetermined messages.

3. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said input means comprises a non-verbal input means.

4. The method as set forth in claim 3 wherein said non-verbal input means comprises a keypad input device.

5. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said input means comprises a voice recognition means whereby voice input to said first communication device effects a corresponding vibration of said second communication device.

6. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein at least one of said first and second communication devices comprises a wireless communication device.

7. The method as set forth in claim 6 wherein said one of said first and second communication devices comprises a cell phone.

8. The method as set forth in claim 6 wherein said one of said first and second communication devices comprises a personal digital assistant device.

9. The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said selected input is presented on a display screen of said first communication device.

10. A storage medium including machine readable coded indicia, said storage medium being selectively coupled to a

reading device, said reading device being selectively coupled to processing circuitry within a communication device, said reading device being selectively operable to read said machine readable coded indicia and provide program signals representative thereof, said program signals being selectively operable for using tactile capabilities to communicate information from a first party using a first communication device to a second party using a second communication device, said program signals being selectively operable for:

establishing a telecommunication connection between said first communication device and said second communication device;

providing input means by which said first party is enabled to selectively enter selected input to said first communication device after said establishing of said telecommunication connection;

transmitting information signals representative of said selected input from said first communication device to said second communication device;

receiving said information signals by said second communication device; and

enabling said second communication device to commence a vibration of said second communication device in response to said received information signals.

11. The medium as set forth in claim 10 wherein said vibration comprises one of a plurality of predetermined vibration patterns, said predetermined vibration patterns being related to corresponding predetermined messages.

12. The medium as set forth in claim 10 wherein said input means comprises a non-verbal input means.

13. The medium as set forth in claim 12 wherein said non-verbal input means comprises a keypad input device.

14. The medium as set forth in claim 10 wherein said input means comprises a voice recognition means whereby voice input to said first communication device effects a corresponding vibration of said second communication device.

15. The medium as set forth in claim 10 wherein at least one of said first and second communication devices comprises a wireless communication device.

16. The medium as set forth in claim 15 wherein said one of said first and second communication devices comprises a cell phone.

17. The medium as set forth in claim 15 wherein said one of said first and second communication devices comprises a personal digital assistant device.

18. The medium as set forth in claim 10 wherein said selected input is presented on a display screen of said first communication device.

19. A first communication device enabled to use tactile means of a second communication device to communicate information from a first party using said first communication device to a second party using said second communication device, said first communication device comprising:

a system bus;

a CPU device connected to said system bus;

memory means connected to said system bus;

a display device connected to said system bus; and

input means coupled to said system bus, said first communication device being selectively operable for establishing a telecommunication connection between said first communication device and said second communication device, said input means being arranged to enable said first party to selectively enter selected input to said first communication device after said establishing of said telecommunication connection, said first communication device being further operable for transmitting information signals representative of said selected input from said first communication device to said second communication device, said information signals being operable at said second communication device for commencing a vibration of said second communication device in response to said received information signals.

20. A method for selecting a telephone number comprising:

displaying a telephone directory with a plurality of directory entries;

selecting a first directory entry from said plurality of directory entries;

associating a first vibration pattern with said first directory entry; and

storing said first vibration pattern in association with said first directory entry.

21. The method as set forth in claim 20 and further including:

producing said first vibration pattern in response to a selection of said first directory entry.

22. A method for effecting a vibratory response at a second communication device in response to input to a first communication device, said method comprising:

establishing a telecommunication connection between said first communication device and said second communication devices;

providing input means by which selected input is applied at said first communication device after said establishing of said telecommunication connection; and

enabling said second communication device to commence a vibration of said second communication device in response to said selected input.

23. The method as set forth in claim 22 wherein said first communication device is an answering machine.

24. The method as set forth in claim 22 wherein said first communication device includes a voicemail system.

25. The method as set forth in claim 22 wherein said first communication device is capable of obtaining instant system status information.

26. The method as set forth in claim 25 wherein said selected input is comprised of said system status information.